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SUBJECT: DISCRIMINATION IN BOYCOTT

1. DEPARTMENT HAS RECEIVED FROM USDOC FOLLOWING BOYCOTT-RELATED REPORT WHICH IS DEEMED TO BE DISCRIMINATORY IN NATURE AND WHICH IS REPORTED HEREWITH FOR APPROPRIATE EMBASSY ACTION.

2. UAE ISRAEL BOYCOTT OFFICE, FOLLOWING UP ON ARTICLE PUBLISHED IN JTA DAILYNEWS, MARCH 16, 1976 EDITION, TO THE EFFECT THAT THE AMERICAN JEWISH CONGRESS HAD PURCHASED SHARES IN GENERAL MOTORS CORPORATION, HAS REQUESTED CON-UNCLASSIFIED

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FIRMATION FROM GM. CABLE FORWARDED TO GM READS IN PART:
"THE AMERICAN JEWISH CONGRESS WHICH IS ALREADY BLACKLISTED BY ISRAEL BOYCOTT OFFICE HAS PURCHASED GENERAL MOTORS SHARES. WE ARE CONCERNED ON THIS NOTICE AND IF IT IS TRUE APPARENTLY GENERAL MOTORS WILL HAVE ADVERSE EFFECT."

3. SUCH REQUESTS APPEAR CONTRARY TO THE ANNOUNCED UAE

POLICY THAT RELIGION OR CREED HAS NO PLACE IN THE BOYCOTT OF ISRAEL. U.S. FIRMS ARE PROHIBITED BY USDOC REGULATIONS FROM PROVIDING INFORMATION IN RESPONSE TO BOYCOTT-RELATED REQUESTS CONCERNING RELIGION OR TAKING ANY OTHER ACTION WITH EFFECT OF DISCRIMINATING AGAINST U.S. CITIZENS OR FIRMS ON THE BASIS OF RELIGION. THE EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO MAKE REPRESENTATIONS TO APPROPRIATE UAE OFFICIALS TO 1.) ASK BASIS FOR UAE (I.E. BOYCOTT OFFICE) REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ABOUT FIRMS ASSOCIATION WITH RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATION (I.E. AJC), 2.) REQUEST THAT UAE HALT FURTHER ACTION ON OUTSTANDING REQUESTS (U.S. FIRMS ARE PROHIBITED BY EXISTING REGULATIONS FROM RESPONDING TO ANY BOYCOTT-RELATED REQUESTS AS TO AFFILIATION OF FIRMS OR PERSONS WITH RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS) AND 3.) SEEK ASSURANCES OF UAE ACTION TO PREVENT RECURRENCE OF DISCRIMINATORY REQUESTS.

4. AJC IS A TAX EXEMPT RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATION. SHOULD BOYCOTT OFFICE SEEK TO JUSTIFY ITS REQUESTS ON THE GROUNDS THAT THE AJC IS ENGAGED IN POLITICAL ACTIVITIES DIRECTED AGAINST THE ARAB BOYCOTT, SUCH REQUESTS ARE STILL CONTRARY TO U.S. POLICY AND RAISE INHERENT DIFFICULTIES IN TERMS OF DISTINGUISHING BETWEEN RELIGIOUS AND NON-RELIGIOUS PURPOSE OF REQUESTED ACTION.

5. EMBASSY REQUESTED PURSUE THIS ISSUE AS MATTER OF PRIORITY CONCERN. FULL REPORTING ON UAE RESPONSE REQUESTED.

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